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# 13<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT UPDATE

## TOP NEWS:

### **Congressman David Scott Hosts County-Wide Leadership Forum *December 13***



Congressman David Scott proudly hosted a Clayton County Leadership Forum. The forum brought together the elected officials of Clayton County as they prepare for the upcoming year. During the forum, Congressman Scott discussed the various federal resources, such as federal grants and appropriations, available to the county and the ways in which the county can make application for these resources.

Congressman Scott looks forward to a continued partnership with the elected officials within Clayton County and many future opportunities to help bring federal resources into the county.

***Clayton News Daily:*** [Scott Urges Leaders to Unite for 'Stimulus' Funds](#)

### **Congressman Scott Congratulates the Blue Eagle Marching Band of South Cobb High School** *South Cobb High School will represent Georgia in the 2009 Presidential Inaugural Parade*

Congressman David Scott (D-GA) congratulates the Blue Eagle Marching Band of South Cobb High School for being chosen to represent Georgia in the 2009 Presidential Inaugural Parade.

"It is with great pleasure that I congratulate members of the South Cobb High School Blue Eagle Marching Band and their Director Zachary Cogdill for earning the honor to march in the 2009 Presidential Inaugural Parade," said Congressman Scott. "Each of these students is tremendously talented and this honor demonstrates their hard work and commitment to excellence in the performing arts. I am proud that the Blue Eagle Marching Band will not only be representing the 13<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, but the entire state of Georgia, as well."



South Cobb High School band members

***[Read more about the band's journey to Washington, DC](#)***

### **Congressman Scott Celebrates the Groundbreaking of the New Riverdale City Hall**

**December 13**

Congressman David Scott joined the City of Riverdale to celebrate the groundbreaking of the new City Hall and community center site. Congressman Scott helped to secure \$98,000 in federal money for the development of the site.



The groundbreaking ceremony took place at the former Travon Wilson Memorial Park.

### **Congressman Scott Speaks Out For More Oversight**

Congress is demanding more transparency from the Federal Reserve and Treasury on the bailout funds. Most recently during Dec. 10 hearings by the House Financial Services committee Representative David Scott said Americans had “been bamboozled.”

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### **Representative Scott Partners with MARTA to Expand Bus Route 189**



Congressman David Scott joined MARTA officials in a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the expansion of MARTA bus route 189 for residents of South Fulton and Clayton County.

Congressman Scott re-introduced the expansion of bus route 189 after recent town hall meetings, where constituents expressed strong concern about a lack of available public transportation for local seniors and children in the areas of the proposed expansion.

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## **In Other News:**

### **Congressman Scott Reminds Constituents to Get Ready for the Nationwide Transition to Digital Television- February 17, 2009**



With the nationwide transition to digital television just months away, Rep. Scott reminds constituents that on *Tuesday, February 17, 2009* analog television sets that receive signals over the air, and not from cable or satellite, will need a digital-to-analog converter box to display digital signals. Every household is eligible to apply for up to two \$40 coupons, each of which may be applied toward the cost of one converter box.

For more information on the digital television transition visit <https://www.dtv2009.gov/>.

### **Local Grant Awards**

***The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development***

*National Foreclosure Mitigation Counseling program*

- Cobb County Housing Authority - \$164,700

**The Federal Emergency Management Agency**

*Emergency Food and Shelter program*

- Clayton County - \$228,681
- Cobb County - \$463,532
- Douglas County - \$92,049
- Fulton County - \$1,245,669

*Emergency Operations Center*

- Douglas County - \$500,000

**The Department of Homeland Security Assistance to Firefighters**

*Basic Operations and Safety*

- Morrow Fire Department - \$71,374

**The National Endowment for the Arts**

*Spivey Hall Spring Bach Festival*

- Clayton State University - \$10,000

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## **A Message from Congressman David Scott:**

Dear Friend,

As you may know, the 110th Congress has concluded for the year. As a result, legislation that was introduced over the past two years will no longer be considered this year, but may be taken up again if reintroduced in the 111th Congress.

In recent elections, American voters overwhelmingly elected Democrats to Congress and a Democrat President to implement change in Washington and lead America in a new direction. At the beginning of the 110th Congress, Democratic Leadership put in place an aggressive plan to achieve this progress and outlined a number of important goals for the first 100 legislative hours of the new Congress. We achieved many of these goals such as reforming lobbying rules and strengthening ethical standards, implementing 'pay as you go' budget rules, increasing the minimum wage and saving Social Security by defending attempts to privatize this important program.

However as we end the year and move toward a new Congress, there is still a great deal of work to be done. The United States is currently in dire economic straits, but I believe with new leadership in the White House we will be able to work together in a bipartisan manner and provide the American people with some relief in these trying times. As a member of the House Financial Services Committee, I am committed to working with my colleagues to address the state of our financial markets. Economic indicators are all pointing to a rough road ahead for this country's financial future. High energy and food prices, the collapse of large banks and corporations with speculation of more to come, tumultuous financial markets, a pending rise in inflation and continued downturn in the housing market are all cause for real concern. However, I will continue to address these tough economic issues in Congress, and work to find a viable solution and return America to prominence.

Sincerely,



Member of Congress



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